SENATE RESOLUTION
1996-8701

By Senators Swecker, Anderson, Snyder, Spanel, Oke, Drew, Sellar, Morton, Haugen, Hochstatter, Rasmussen, McDonald, Sutherland and Roach

WHEREAS, The Murray Pacific Corporation has been a leader in the forest products industry; and

WHEREAS, This corporation has shown leadership in environmental protection; and

WHEREAS, Murray Pacific has helped set a nation-wide trend toward comprehensive protection of fish and wildlife habitat on timber lands; and

WHEREAS, This company has made a substantial investment of private dollarsc into the development of habitat conservation plans to protect public and private resources for future generations; and

WHEREAS, Murray Pacific has shown tremendous initiative in expending its financial resources to provide a public benefit; and

WHEREAS, The company has taken great efforts to work with the United States Department of the Interior and ultimately received approval for its habitat conservation planning from the Secretary of the Interior and the President of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Murray Pacific has worked cooperatively through the Timber, Fish, and Wildlife Agreement process; and

WHEREAS, Certainty in the regulatory climate created by this state and the federal government is essential to ensuring that Murray Pacific and other land managers continue to provide leadership in the protection and enhancement of fish and wildlife habitat;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate honor the efforts of the Murray Pacific Corporation with passage of this senate floor resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That with passage of this resolution the members of the Washington State Senate acknowledge the example this company has set, and the importance of certainty in the regulation of lands within our state.

I, Marty Brown, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 1996-8701,
adopted by the Senate March 7, 1996.

MARTY BROWN
Secretary of the Senate